

# State of Utah

# Department of Natural Resources

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# **Inspection Report**

Permit Number:	C0070013			
Inspection Type:	COMPLETE			
Inspection Date:	Tuesday, September 13, 2005			
Start Date/Time:	9/13/2005 9:00:00 AM			
End Date/Time:	9/13/2005 3:00:00 PM			
Last Inspection:	Wednesday, June 29, 2005			

Inspector: Joe Helfrich, Environmental Scientist III

Weather: sunny 65

InspectionID Report Number: 721

Accepted by: whedberg 9/28/2005

Permitee: UTAHAMERICAN ENERGY INC Operator: UTAHAMERICAN ENERGY INC

Site: HORSE CANYON MINE

Address: PO BOX 986, PRICE UT 84501

County: CARBON

Permit Type: PERMANENT COAL PROGRAM

Permit Status: ACTIVE

#### **Current Acreages**

<b>Total Permitted</b>	6,032.07	
<b>Total Disturbed</b>	122.49	
Phase I	61.65	
Phase II		
Phase III		

#### Mineral Ownership Types of Operations

✓ Federal ✓ Underground
✓ State □ Surface
✓ County □ Loadout
✓ Fee □ Processing
□ Other □ Reprocessing

Report summary and status for pending enforcement actions, permit conditions, Division Orders, and amendments:

The purpose of this site visit was to conduct a complete inspection of the Horse Canyon reclaimed site. The permittee has submitted an application for development of the Lila Canyon mine. The application has undergone several reviews the most current of which is to be completed by 9/16/05. The remaining buildings and associated property are to be turned over to The College of Easten Utah as an industrial post mining land use. That transaction is to be completed on 9/13/05. The permittee will also need to file an application for phase three bond release.

Inspector's Signature

Date Wednesday, September 14, 2005

Joe Helfrich, Environmental Scientist III Inspector ID Number: 1

Note: This inspection report does not constitute an affidavit of compliance with the regulatory program of the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining.

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#### REVIEW OF PERMIT, PERFORMANCE STANDARDS PERMIT CONDITION REQUIREMENTS

- 1. Substantiate the elements on this inspection by checking the appropriate performance standard.
  a. For COMPLETE inspections provide narrative justification for any elements not fully inspected unless element is not appropriate to the site, in which case check Not Applicable.
  - b. For PARTIAL inspections check only the elements evaluated.
- 2. Document any noncompliance situation by reference the NOV issued at the appropriate performance standard listed below.
- Reference any narratives written in conjunction with this inspection at the appropriate performace standard listed below.
   Provide a brief status report for all pending enforcement actions, permit conditions, Divison Orders, and amendments.

		Evaluated	Not Applicable	Comment	Enforcement
1.	Permits, Change, Transfer, Renewal, Sale	<b>✓</b>		<b>✓</b>	
2.	Signs and Markers	<b>✓</b>		<b>✓</b>	
3.	Topsoil	<b>✓</b>			
4.a	Hydrologic Balance: Diversions	<b>✓</b>		<b>✓</b>	
4.b	Hydrologic Balance: Sediment Ponds and Impoundments	<b>✓</b>		<b>✓</b>	
4.c	Hydrologic Balance: Other Sediment Control Measures	<b>✓</b>		<b>✓</b>	
4.d	Hydrologic Balance: Water Monitoring	<b>✓</b>		<b>✓</b>	
4.e	Hydrologic Balance: Effluent Limitations	<b>✓</b>		<b>✓</b>	
5.	Explosives		<b>✓</b>		
6.	Disposal of Excess Spoil, Fills, Benches		<b>✓</b>		
7.	Coal Mine Waste, Refuse Piles, Impoundments		<b>✓</b>		
8.	Noncoal Waste	<b>✓</b>			
9.	Protection of Fish, Wildlife and Related Environmental Issues	<b>✓</b>			
10.	Slides and Other Damage		<b>✓</b>		
11.	Contemporaneous Reclamation		<b>✓</b>		
12.	Backfilling And Grading		<b>✓</b>		
13.	Revegetation	<b>✓</b>			
14.	Subsidence Control		<b>✓</b>		
15.	Cessation of Operations		<b>✓</b>		
16.8	a Roads: Construction, Maintenance, Surfacing	<b>✓</b>			
16.	o Roads: Drainage Controls	<b>✓</b>			
17.	Other Transportation Facilities		<b>✓</b>		
18.	Support Facilities, Utility Installations	<b>✓</b>			
19.	AVS Check		<b>✓</b>		
20.	Air Quality Permit		<b>✓</b>		
21.	Bonding and Insurance	<b>✓</b>		✓	
22.	Other		<b>✓</b>		

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### 1. Permits, Change, Transfer, Renewal, Sale

The DOGM permit expires 05/06/2006. Other documents include the following:

- -Certificate of Insurance terminates 06/01/2006.
- -UPDES permit UTG040013 expires midnight 04/30/2008, (Horse Canyon Mine).
- -UPDES permit UTG040024 expires midnight 04/30/2008, (Lila Canyon Mine).
- -Air Quality Permit DAQE-702-99.

The status of the mine site is Phase II Bond Release. The inspection frequency for this mine site is quarterly.

# 2. Signs and Markers

The ID signs list the required information including the phone number of the resident agent. Perimeter markers viewed accurately reflect the permit boundary.

### 4.a Hydrologic Balance: Diversions

Work on the diversion channel west of the old refuse pile site was inspected during the previous complete inspection. The Division Hydrologist, Dave Darby, visited the site on 10/07/04 and again during the June 29th 2005 inspection to evaluate the status of the channel. There were concerns about the angle of the confluence of the channel and the size and placement of riprap. The channel was stable forming a spur at the confluence that is eroding away as the main channel seeks its own course. Photos were taken. It should also be noted that there was a flash flood in the watershed within the previous three or four days.

# 4.b Hydrologic Balance: Sediment Ponds and Impoundments

The quarterly sediment pond inspection for pond #2 was done and P.E. Certified on 6/10/05. No problems were noted and the pond contained several inches of water from recent storms.

# 4.c Hydrologic Balance: Other Sediment Control Measures

Recent storms further up the canyon from the reclaimed site resulted in flash flooding in the main stream channel above and below the mine. Photos were taken.

#### 4.d Hydrologic Balance: Water Monitoring

Second quarter 2005 water monitoring data was available for inspection. The data has been uploaded into the data base. Third quarter samples were taken where there was flow, they included BHC2, RF1, HC1, and RF1. Field parameters included flow, PH, conductivity, and temperature.

#### 4.e Hydrologic Balance: Effluent Limitations

DMR's were current through August of 2005.

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# 21. Bonding and Insurance

Bond number SUR004892 for \$1,137,726 was increased to \$1,253,000 on January 24, 2001. Phase II Bond Release was approved on February 12, 2003, which dropped the bond by \$191,672. The current bond is now \$1,061,328. The bond is through Lincoln General Insurance Co. This Bond is for Part A (Horse Canyon).

Bond number SB9905586 is for Part B (Lila Canyon Extension). The Bond amount is \$1,556,000 from XL Specialty Insurance. The Lila Canyon Extension has been submitted to the Division and is currently under review.

Insurance is through Federal Insurance Company policy # 37104410. The insurance was issued on 06/01/2005 and expires on 06/01/2006. Explosive coverage is noted. The minimum coverage is met and the certificate holder is listed as the State of Utah, Division of Oil, Gas and Mining.